

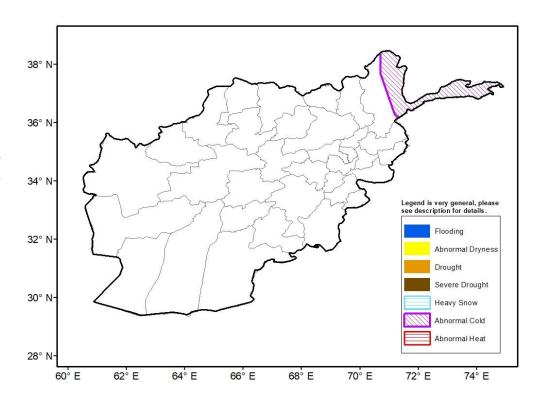
Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook January 7 – January 13, 2021

Temperatures:

During the past week, below-normal temperatures remained entrenched across Afghanistan. Subfreezing temperatures occurred across most of the country. Minimum temperatures reached more than 8°C below average in northern portions of the country with minimum temperatures below -10°C in the northeast. During the outlook period, temperatures are forecast to remain below normal across the country. As such, minimum temperatures for the period should again fall below freezing for many parts of the country's lower elevations. An abnormal cold hazard is posted in the northeast for well-below-normal temperatures, especially early in the period.

Precipitation:

Last week, very little precipitation was observed across Afghanistan. Only a little light snow fell in the northeast. After a cold pattern, based on the USGS snowfall analysis as of January 4, positive snow depth anomalies currently exist across the central highlands and parts of eastern Afghanistan. Snow depth anomalies are below-average at the higher elevations of the northeast. Some general precipitation deficits exist over the last month according to satellite analysis. A quiet weather pattern is expected for the coming week with no precipitation forecasted outside of some very light snows in the northeast.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.